TALES OF WAR

KENT BLAKE OF THE SECRET SERVICE

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ACTUAL WAR TALES OF FIGHTING MEN BEHIND ENEMY LINES!

OKAY, COMMIES! THIS IS IT! END OF THE LINE!
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KENT BLAKE

SECRET SERVICE

CAPT. KENT BLAKE HAD BEEN UP A TREE ALL DAY..

THE REDS ARE MASSING IN THAT VALLEY...LOOKS LIKE THE BEGINNING OF A MAJOR OFFENSIVE! JUST MY LUCK TO DRAW THIS ASSIGNMENT BECAUSE THE WEATHER WOULDN'T PERMIT THE RECON PLANES TO DO THE SPYING JOB!

LOTS OF HEAVY STUFF WITH THEM! CRIPES, EVEN MY BONES ARE WATER-LOGGED AND CHILLED.....!

EVEN IN THE MIDST OF WAR, A WELL-PLANTED DECOY CAN BRING GOOD HUNTING!

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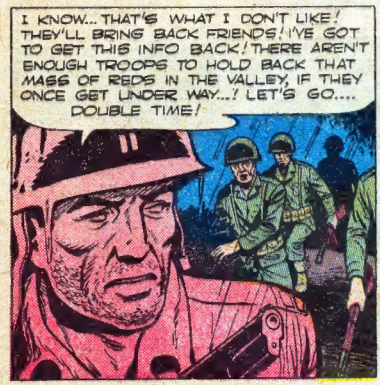
GOT TO GET THIS INFO BACK TO H.Q., FAST! CONCENTRATED ARTILLERY FIRE ON THAT VALLEY, THEN A WELL-PLANNED ATTACK COULD BREAK UP THE RED ASSAULT BEFORE IT GETS STARTED!
O.K., MEN, LET'S GET BACK! I'VE GOT VALUABLE INFO THAT H.Q. WILL WANT!
WE'RE READY, CAPTAIN! THIS AIN'T NO WEATHER TO BE OUT IN!
WHAT'S THAT YOU'RE DOING, BANNOCK?
WHITTLIN' A DUCK DECOY! I WORK ON 'EM WHEN I GET A CHANCE, AN' SEND 'EM BACK TO MY KID BROTHER! HIM AN' ME USED TO DO A LOTTA DUCK HUNTIN' BEFORE THE WAR!
YUH MEAN TO SAY THOSE BOIDS GET FOOLED BY THESE HERE WOODEN DUMMIES?
THAT'S RIGHT, BROOKLYN! THE DUCKS SEE THESE DECOYS, FIGGER EVERYTHING'S ALL RIGHT IF OTHER DUCKS ARE THERE AN' THEY COME FLYIN' DOWN TO FEED... AN' THAT'S WHEN IT'S DUCK FOR SUPPER!
WATCH THAT MUD IN THE CLEARED SPACE! IF YOU GOT BOGGED IN THAT, YOU'D HAVE A TIME GETTING OUT!
BOY, THOSE BOIDS MUST BE DUMB! BOIDS IN BROOKLYN AIN'T THAT DUMB...!
WATCH IT, MEN! SOME-THING MOVING UP AHEAD.....!
RED PATROL....!
HIT THE DIRT AND LET 'EM HAVE IT...!
CRACK!

THEY'RE FADIN' BACK!
UP AND AT 'EM!

BRAM!
BAM!

ALL RIGHT... HOLD IT!
A COUPLE OF 'EM GOT AWAY!


I KNOW... THAT'S WHAT I DON'T LIKE! THEY'LL BRING BACK FRIENDS! I'VE GOT TO GET THIS INFO BACK! THERE AREN'T ENOUGH TROOPS TO HOLD BACK THAT MASS OF REDS IN THE VALLEY, IF THEY ONCE GET UNDER WAY...! LET'S GO.... DOUBLE TIME!

BACK.....!
YUP, CAPTAIN, THEY BROUGHT THEIR FRIENDS!

THEY'RE SENDING OUT SIDE WINGS...WE'RE IN A SPOT!
IT'S GETTING DARK... MAYBE WE CAN GET THROUGH IN THE DARK!

WE'VE OUTDISTANCED THEM, BUT THEY'LL THROW A CORDON THROUGH THE WOODS AND WE'LL NEVER GET THROUGH! C'MON, BANNOCK....!
WAIT! I DROPPED MY DECOY..!

DECOY! THAT GIVES ME AN IDEA...OUR ONLY CHANCE TO BREAK OUT OF THIS TRAP IS TO GET THOSE REDS OFF OUR TRAIL!
HOW'RE WE GONNA DO THAT? THERE'S TOO MANY OF 'EM... AN' WE CAN'T SURPRISE 'EM!

MAYBE WE CAN! QUICK, GET YOUR UNIFORMS OFF... WE HAVEN'T MUCH TIME.....!
HEY, WHAT KIND OF A DEAL IS THIS?
GRAB SOME STICKS...SET THE UNIFORMS BEHIND THE ROCKS TO LOOK LIKE MEN.....! MAKE IT FAST! IN THIS DARK AND RAIN I THINK IT'LL WORK!
I GET IT! DECOYS!
RIGHT, BANNOCK... DECOYS! I'M HOPING THE REDS'LL SEE THEM, AND CHARGE ACROSS THIS OPEN MUD! THEY'LL GET BOGGED DOWN IN THE MUD, AND WE'LL BE IN THE BUSHES, ALL SET TO MOW THEM DOWN!
CRIPES, MY CLOTHES'RE SO FILTHY WITH MUD THEY'LL STAND UP BY THEMSELVES!
HERE THEY COME! BANNOCK, TO THE LEFT! CLYDE, OVER THIS SIDE! CIRCLE THE PLACE....AND NO NOISE! I'LL GIVE THE SIGNAL!
RIGHT!
THIS BETTER WOIK! THINK OF WHAT THEY'D SAY IN BROOKLYN IF THEY HOID I DIED WITH MY PANTS OFF!
THEY LAY IN THE BUSHES, SCARCELY BREATHING! THEN THEY SAW THE REDS.!
BLAM!
CRACK!
POW!
BLAM!
POW!
NOW! POUR IT ON !!!
RAT.
AT-TA

FIRST THE REDS WERE SURPRISED...!
BAM! TWAK!
THEN AS THE MUD PULLED THEM DOWN, THEY GOT PANICKY...
FINISH THEM OFF!
LIKE SHOOTIN' DUCKS IN A BARREL!
YEAH...BUT DUCKS DON'T SHOOT BACK!

AN HOUR LATER, CAPT. BLAKE AND HIS PATROL APPROACHED ADVANCE OUTPOST HEADQUARTERS!
HEY, BROOKLYN, WHO SWIPED YOUR DUDS?
NOT FUNNY, McGEE! IT AIN'T MODEST TO RUN AROUND LIKE THIS! IN FLATBUSH IT WOULD NEVER HAPPEN!

ALL WE CAN DO IS WAIT UNTIL WE CAN GET A BREAK AND GET IN WHEN THEY CAN'T SEE US! I HOPE IT'S SOON.....!
O.K., WISE GUYS, WHAT KINDA DECOYS DO YA USE IN A CASE LIKE THIS?
THE END

ATLAS FOR THE BEST IN WAR TALES LOOK FOR THE ATLAS SEAL ON THE COVER! ATLAS

LOW GUARD

SGT. BRUNO SILVER had been a boxer in civilian life. He was big and rugged and tough, but he got along fine with the men. Whenever there was any kind of an opportunity, they would get him to tell them stories of his days in the ring. It was always exciting to hear about the fights he had won—but he was even willing to go into detail about those that he had lost.

"The main thing to remember," he told the men serving under him, "is never to drop your guard. That goes for a lot of other things besides boxing, of course. It particularly goes for war. If we ever let our guard get low, we'll be sunk. The enemy is constantly watching for an opportunity to knife us—and they don't care much where they insert the knife. If we keep our guard up, we'll be all right. If we drop it, they'll knock us out!"

The men listened attentively and soaked up Silver's words of wisdom. It was nothing they hadn't heard before in various ways, of course; actually it was just another way of putting the lesson that had been hammered at them all through their training. But his way of putting it, and of backing it up with examples from his fighting experiences, somehow made it especially clear and memorable.

Privates Jim Post and Les Cavanaugh talked about this one night as they did guard duty. They were dug in at the edge of the hollow where the unit was bedded down, and they had a scanty covering of brush for protection—nothing more. It was a cold night, but they couldn't take a chance on a fire. The two buddies were thoroughly miserable and there wasn't much they could do about it except gripe.

"I'm pretty sick of it," said Post. "As far as I can see, we'll be able to judge plenty far in advance when there's going to be a Red attack. Keeping us up here in this freezing, uncomfortable hole just means that we'll be no good for fighting if any comes along. I don't see the sense of it at all!"

"Don't let Silver hear you talk like that," Cavanaugh warned him. "You know what a stickler he is for keeping your guard up. He may be right, too. He's had a lot more experience than we have, and if he says . . ."

The men were so engrossed in their conversation, and in trying to keep themselves as comfortable as possible, that they didn't notice a small group of Reds which had crept up close to their little depression. Silently, the Reds closed in. Jim Post became aware of them at the last minute, and started to let out a yelp as he saw them grab Cavanaugh from behind. But before he could get his mouth completely open, it was covered by a couple of strong, hairy hands, while other hands grasped his arms and shoulders. He was yanked off balance as he tried to rise, and the last thing he knew a gun butt came crashing down on his head, knocking him into black oblivion.

He recovered with an aching head, and a body that felt as if it were one big mess of bruises. He tried to move and couldn't. The Reds had trussed him up in cruel fashion so that he could barely wriggle a finger. He was lying on his side, and by the faint light of the moon he could see that Les Cavanaugh was lying nearby, tied in similar fashion.

Conversation was impossible, since they were also gagged with rags that smelled as if they had been used to clean engines with. Post felt sick as he lay there, sick because of the pain and discomfort, but even more sick because of the horrible thought that he had failed in his duty, and that a Red attack was probably even now creeping up on his unsuspecting buddies in the camp.

It was a grim and sickening thought. If there were only something he could do now to redeem himself. But there didn't seem to be anything. He could dimly see a number of Reds surrounding him and Cavanaugh. They were lolling about casually, as if completely confident that there would be no trouble, but there were so many of them that Post knew he wouldn't stand a chance

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KENT BLAKE

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IT WAS A SIMPLE ORDER, "BRING BACK A MIG," BUT TO CAPT. KENT BLAKE AND HIS MEN, IT WAS A TICKET TO DEATH.....

CAPTAIN BLAKE! TWO MIGS COMING IN AT US! WHAT'LL WE DO?

ARMY INTELLIGENCE'S TOP MAN WATCHED THE MIGS GROW LARGER...

I TOLD THEM WE DIDN'T HAVE A CHANCE...

AND HIS MIND WAS FILLED WITH PICTURES...PICTURES OF HOW THIS ALL STARTED! HE HAD ENTERED COL. KRUGER'S DUGOUT AT G-2 H.Q.

THIS IS THE MAN I SPOKE OF ...OUR BEST! CAPT. BLAKE, COL. DUNCAN AND GEN. WHITNEY HAVE A JOB FOR YOU!

CAPTAIN, YOU'VE HAD EXPERIENCE IN GETTING INTO AND OUT OF ENEMY-HELD TERRITORY! WE WANT YOU TO DO IT AGAIN! BUT THIS TIME YOU MUST BRING SOMETHING BACK...YOU MUST BRING BACK A MIG!

AND HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO DO THAT, SIR?
BY HELICOPTER! OUR RECON PLANES REPORT A MIG SHOT DOWN IN THIS AREA! YOU WILL GO THERE WITH A PICKED CREW, LOAD THE MIG ON THE 'COPTER AND BRING IT BACK!
YOU MUST GO IT ALONE UNTIL YOU HAVE LOADED THE MIG! ON THE WAY BACK A LARGE GROUP OF OUR FIGHTING AIRCRAFT WILL PICK YOU UP TO PROTECT AND ESCORT YOU HOME!
TWO OTHER G-2 MEN WILL ACCOMPANY YOU ...LIEUTENANTS RUSSEL AND FORBES, BESIDES THE 'COPTER CREW AND ENGINEERS TO LOAD THE MIG ON!
NOT RUSSEL ..HE'S ONLY A KID! THIS IS A SUICIDE MISSION! WE WON'T HAVE A CHANCE...!
THEN MAKE A CHANCE! THE PERSONNEL WE'VE CHOSEN CAN'T BE CHANGED!
YOU'VE GOT TO GET THE ESSENTIAL PARTS OF THAT JET MIG BACK TO US TO SHIP TO THE U.S. FOR OUR EXPERTS TO EXAMINE!
THAT'S IT, CAPTAIN! NO MATTER WHAT ELSE HAPPENS... BRING BACK A MIG!
I'M SORRY I GOT YOU INTO THIS, KENT... IT'S MURDER! BUT THEY ASKED FOR MY BEST MAN.....!
WHY DID THEY HAVE TO PICK ON PETE RUSSEL? I'VE KNOWN HIM SINCE HE WAS A KID... PROMISED HIS FAMILY TO LOOK AFTER HIM...!
THE REDS WILL SPOT US..THROW FLAK.. SEND OUT PLANES... HAVE FOOT SOLDIERS READY TO NAB US IF, BY SOME MIRACLE, WE GET TO THIS DOWNED MIG! WITH THE CREW WE NEED, THE WHIRLIGIRD, WILL NEVER GET OFF THE GROUND, WITH A MIG HANGING ON.....!
TAKE IT EASY, KENT! I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT PETE RUSSEL! BUT THIS IS WAR...!
KENT'S THOUGHTS SNAPPED BACK FROM THE IMMEDIATE PAST! THE MIGS HAD SEPARATED, READY TO SWEEP IN FOR THE KILL.....!
KENT'LL FIGURE SOMETHING!
I WISH I HAD AS MUCH FAITH IN MYSELF AS YOU HAVE IN ME, PETE!
THEY'RE COMIN'! WHAT'LL WE DO...?
KEEP ON JUST AS YOU ARE! WHEN THEY COME IN TO TAKE US, WAIT FOR THE WORD, THEN STOP THIS CRATE FAST AND HOP HER UPSTAIRS! THINK YOU CAN DO IT?
SURE, THIS BABY'S MANEUVERABLE! BUT WE CAN'T KEEP HER OUT OF THEIR WAY FOR LONG!
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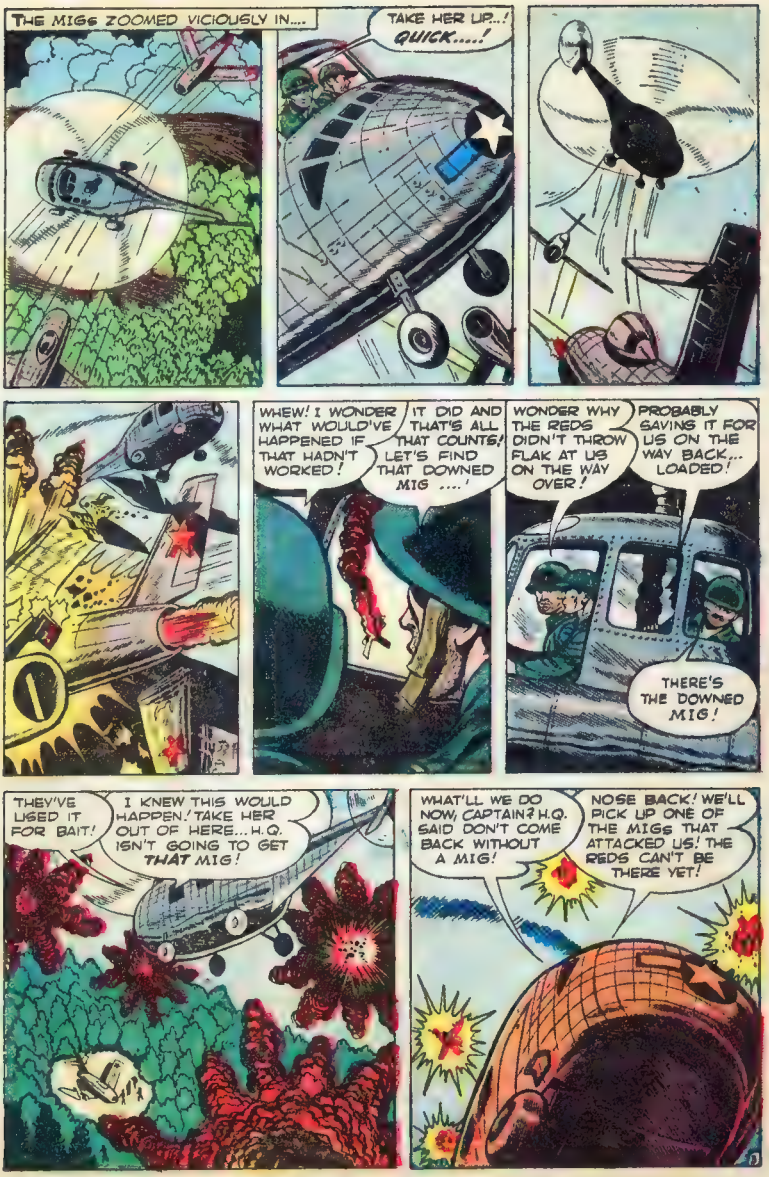
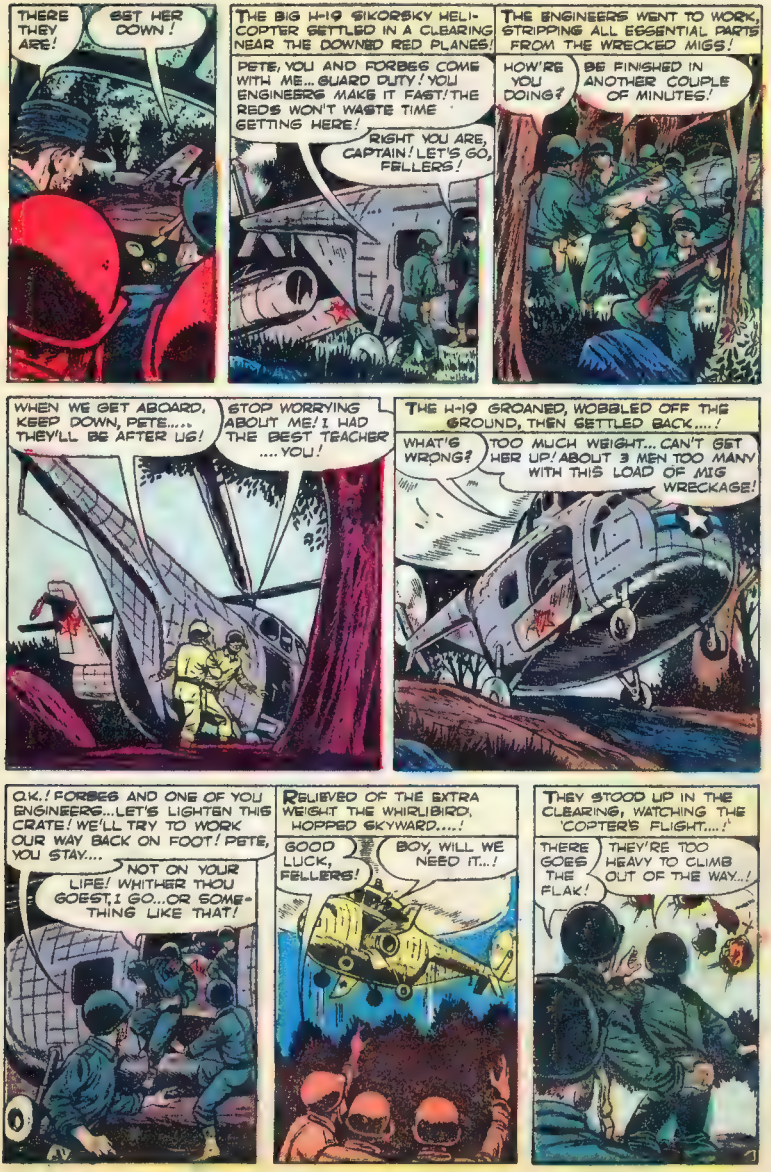

THE MIGs ZOOMED VICIOUSLY IN....
TAKE HER UP..! QUICK....!
WHEW! I WONDER WHAT WOULD'VE HAPPENED IF THAT HADN'T WORKED!
IT DID AND THAT'S ALL THAT COUNTS! LET'S FIND THAT DOWNED MIG ....!
WONDER WHY THE REDS DIDN'T THROW FLAK AT US ON THE WAY OVER!
PROBABLY SAVING IT FOR US ON THE WAY BACK,.. LOADED!
THERE'S THE DOWNED MIG!
THEY'VE USED IT FOR BAIT!
I KNEW THIS WOULD HAPPEN! TAKE HER OUT OF HERE... H.Q. ISN'T GOING TO GET THAT MIG!
WHAT'LL WE DO NOW, CAPTAIN? H.Q. SAID DON'T COME BACK WITHOUT A MIG!
NOSE BACK! WE'LL PICK UP ONE OF THE MIGs THAT ATTACKED US! THE REDS CAN'T BE THERE YET!

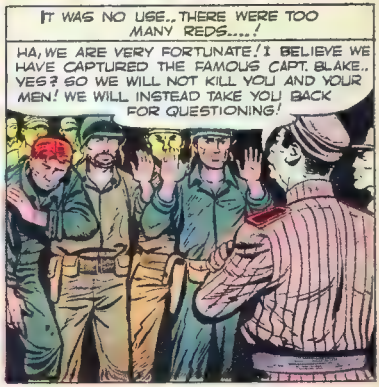

THERE THEY ARE!
SET HER DOWN!
THE BIG H-19 SIKORSKY HELICOPTER SETTLED IN A CLEARING NEAR THE DOWNED RED PLANES!
PETE, YOU AND FORBES COME WITH ME... GUARD DUTY! YOU ENGINEERS MAKE IT FAST! THE REDS WON'T WASTE TIME GETTING HERE!
RIGHT YOU ARE, CAPTAIN! LET'S GO, FELLERS!
THE ENGINEERS WENT TO WORK, STRIPPING ALL ESSENTIAL PARTS FROM THE WRECKED MIGS!
HOW'RE YOU DOING?
BE FINISHED IN ANOTHER COUPLE OF MINUTES!
WHEN WE GET ABOARD, KEEP DOWN, PETE..... THEY'LL BE AFTER US!
STOP WORRYING ABOUT ME! I HAD THE BEST TEACHER .... YOU!
THE H-19 GROANED, WOBBLED OFF THE GROUND, THEN SETTLED BACK....!
WHAT'S WRONG?
TOO MUCH WEIGHT... CAN'T GET HER UP! ABOUT 3 MEN TOO MANY WITH THIS LOAD OF MIG WRECKAGE!
O.K.! FORBES AND ONE OF YOU ENGINEERS... LET'S LIGHTEN THIS CRATE! WE'LL TRY TO WORK OUR WAY BACK ON FOOT! PETE, YOU STAY....
NOT ON YOUR LIFE! WHITHER THOU GOEST, I GO... OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT!
RELIEVED OF THE EXTRA WEIGHT THE WHIRLBIRD, HOPPED SKYWARD....!
GOOD LUCK, FELLERS!
BOY, WILL WE NEED IT...!
THEY STOOD UP IN THE CLEARING, WATCHING THE 'COPTER'S FLIGHT....!
THERE GOES THE FLAK!
THEY'RE TOO HEAVY TO CLIMB OUT OF THE WAY...!

HERE COME OUR SABRE JETS!
TOO LATE THE WHIRLIBIRD'S HIT.....

THEY SAW THE BIG H-19 PLUNGE DOWNWARD....!
THOSE POOR GUYS!
TAKE IT EASY, PETE! THAT'S ONE MIG THE GENERAL WON'T GET! LET'S GET OUT OF HERE....!

REDS!

KEEP FIGHTING!
I'M HIT!


IT WAS NO USE.. THERE WERE TOO MANY REDS.....!
HA, WE ARE VERY FORTUNATE! I BELIEVE WE HAVE CAPTURED THE FAMOUS CAPT. BLAKE.. YES? SO WE WILL NOT KILL YOU AND YOUR MEN! WE WILL INSTEAD TAKE YOU BACK FOR QUESTIONING!

THAT'S A TOUGH WOUND, FORBES! LISTEN, NO MATTER WHAT THEY DO, DON'T GIVE THEM ANY INFORMATION!
O.K., KENT!
NO TALK! MOVE... CHOP, CHOP!

A CAMOU-FLAGED AIR FIELD!
THIS IS WHERE THOSE MIGS CAME FROM THAT ATTACKED US!

YOU WILL STAY HERE! YOUR WOUNDED FRIEND WILL BE QUESTIONED FIRST! HIS RESISTANCE WILL NOT BE AS STRONG AS YOURS, AND WE HAVE MANY EXQUISITE WAYS TO MAKE A MAN TALK!

THEY WAITED TENSELY IN THE LITTLE BUILDING!
WHAT CAN THEY BE DOING TO FORBES? CRIPES, THIS WAITING GETS YOU NUTS..!
WE'LL KNOW SOON! THESE ARE GASOLINE TINS...FOR THE GROUND VEHICLES PROBABLY....!
HERE IS YOUR FRIEND! WE WILL QUESTION YOU LATER... AFTER YOU HAVE HAD TIME WITH YOUR FRIEND TO APPRECIATE WHAT HAPPENS TO MEN WHO WON'T TALK!
YOU DIRTY, RED RAT....!
I... I DIDN'T ...TELL THEM ANY.... AARGGHHHH...
HE'S DEAD! TORTURED TO DEATH!
THE LICE... THE STINKIN' SKUNKS!
PETE, I'VE GOT TO GET YOU OUT OF HERE! THE PLACE IS SWARMING WITH REDS... OUR ONLY HOPE IS TO SET UP A DIVERSION! HELP ME GET THIS STRAW AROUND THESE TINS....
THIS WILL GO UP WITH A ROAR... THE REDS'LL RUSH IN, PANICKY, TO PUT IT OUT BEFORE IT SPREADS! THAT WILL BE OUR CUE TO RUSH OUT! IF WE CAN GET TO THAT NEAREST MIG, I CAN FLY US OUT OF HERE! STAND BY....
I'M READY!
IN A MOMENT THE PLACE WAS A MASS OF FLAMES! KENT AND PETE WERE READY WHEN THEIR CAPTORS SLAMMED IN....!
RUN TO THE MIG, PETE ....

I'M TAGGED! NEVER MIND ABOUT ME ... GET OUT!
SHUT UP! GET IN THERE! I'M TAKING YOU BACK WITH ME.... IF WE GET BACK....!
HERE WE GO! HOW IS IT, PETE?
O.K.! LET'S GO HOME!
THE RUNWAY WAS ALIVE WITH REDS AS KENT BLASTED DOWN ON IT.....!
THEN THEY WERE AIRBORNE AND AWAY.... HEADING FOR HOME!
THIS IS CAPT. KENT BLAKE, COMING IN WITH A RED MIG! HOLD YOUR FIRE! DO YOU READ ME? HOLD YOUR FIRE.....!
WE'LL BE HOME IN A....! PETE! PETE, LISTEN.....! PETE!!!!
A SHORT TIME LATER, KENT SET THE CAPTURED PLANE DOWN ON AN AMERICAN FLIGHT FIELD....!
A SPLENDID JOB, CAPTAIN! YOU BROUGHT BACK A MIG... A WHOLE ONE! A REMARKABLE ACHIEVEMENT... STEALING A MIG RIGHT FROM UNDER THE ENEMY'S NOSE!
I DIDN'T STEAL IT, SIR!
I BOUGHT IT.... AND PAID FOR IT WITH THE LIVES OF EVERY LAST ONE OF THE MEN WHO WENT WITH ME!
THE END

ATLAS FOR THE BEST IN WAR TALES LOOK FOR THE ATLAS SEAL ON THE COVER! ATLAS

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USE THIS COMPLETE

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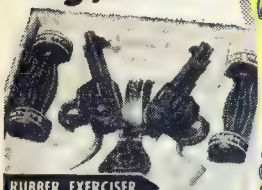

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against them even if he did get free.

Nevertheless, he tried working on his bonds to see if he could break them or twist them off somehow. It was a nerve-wracking struggle. Post didn't seem to be making any progress at all.

Suddenly he saw a large human form slip up to him through the night. It came so silently and swiftly that it was almost on top of Post before he realized it. The big, bulky man looked clumsy, but worked with amazing dexterity. He drew a knife and cut Post's bonds quickly, leaving the private to rub his wrists in wonder as he moved on to free Cavanaugh.

"Sgt. Silver!" Post whispered hoarsely in amazement. "How did you get here? How did you find us?"

Sgt. Bruno Silver answered in terse whispers of his own. "I was making my usual rounds to check on the guard posts," he told them, "and got to yours just after the Reds had lugged you off. I followed, and just now got the chance to slug a couple of them and move in here. Think you can stand up okay, now? We've got to make our break for it quick!"

The trio got ready to go. Sgt. Silver insisted that the two privates take the pistols he carried. They didn't want to, since it would leave him unarmed, but he snapped an order before they could argue about it. Then they went back the way he had come in.

Suddenly, a Red soldier popped up ahead of them, and Post quickly swung the butt of the pistol. It caught the Commie neatly behind the ear and he dropped to the ground. But he let out a faint yell as he did so, and several of his buddies popped into sight all around the three Americans.

Post and Cavanaugh had to use their guns. It was easy shooting at such close range, but they feared the noise would bring more and more Red soldiers. Post was worried, too, about Sgt. Silver, until he noticed that the huge man was bringing his heavyweight boxing training into play. Several of the Commies had already gone down before blows of his mighty fists, and more were dropping with every hammering swing.

Then most of the Reds had vanished, and the Americans broke and ran, swiftly and silently as possible. They met no more opposition, and continued on their way to the still-slumbering camp in comparative peace and comfort.

"But didn't the Reds attack after they opened up that hole in our defenses?" Post wanted to know.

"No," Sgt. Silver said. "Because they were smart enough to send more scouts back first, and when they saw you two had been replaced, they knew we'd be ready for them. They were pretty sharp there—it's a good thing the ones that were guarding you weren't as smart. They let their guard get low, too—eh fellows?"

That was all the criticism he voiced. But that one mention of low guard was all Post and Cavanaugh needed. It was a lesson they never forgot—which was exactly what Sgt. Silver had intended to teach them.

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THERE'S SING LIM'S FLASHLIGHT SIGNAL, NOW! REMEMBER... YOU'RE TO CONTACT HIM AND PICK UP THE MAP HE'S PREPARED SHOWING THE REDS' GUN EMPLACEMENTS!

I GOT IT, CAPTAIN! IF WE DON'T MEET YOU BACK HERE IN THREE HOURS, YOU'LL KNOW WE DIDN'T MAKE IT!

I DON'T SEE THAT FLASHLIGHT ANY MORE, SARGE!

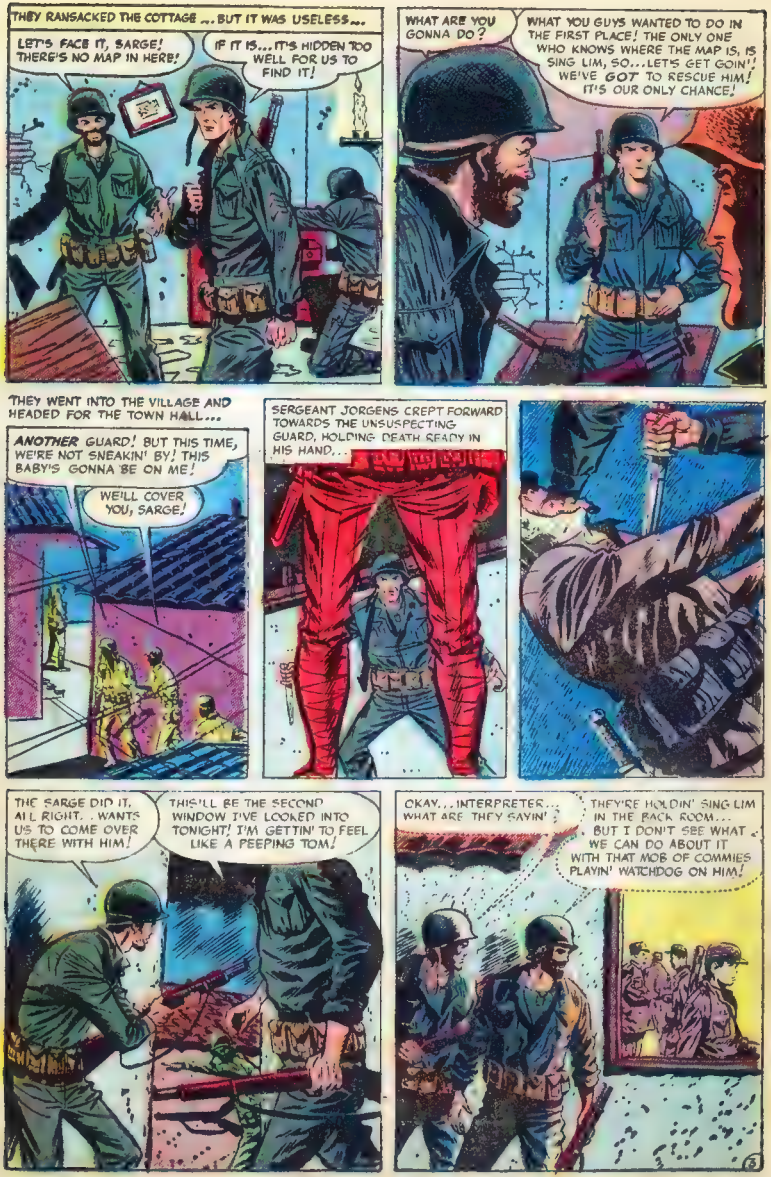
THAT'S OKAY, CLAMM! AS SOON AS SING LIM KNEW WE GOT HIS SIGNAL HE WAS SUPPOSED TO HEAD BACK TO HIS COTTAGE! WE'RE GONNA MEET HIM *THERE!*

IT WAS A SHORT PULL INTO SHORE, AND THE THREE MEN HID THEIR RUBBER BOAT AS WELL AS THEY COULD! THEN CAME THE DANGEROUS MOVEMENT TOWARDS THE COTTAGE OF THE NORTH KOREAN AGENT...

THERE'S THE PLACE, ALL RIGHT! I GUESS WE CAN...

HOLD IT, STRINGERMAN! TROUBLE'S WAITIN' FOR US OUT THERE!

A COMMIE PATROL CAR... AN' A GUARD, TOO!
THAT MEANS THEY'RE INSIDE! YOU UNDERSTAND THE LINGO, STRINGERMAN, SO YOU'D BETTER SNEAK UP THERE AN' GIVE A LISTEN!
CAREFULLY, STRINGERMAN INCHED HIS WAY TOWARDS THE OPEN WINDOW, PRAYING THE GUARD WOULDN'T TURN AROUND...
THEN...AT LAST...
WELL, I'LL BE A RING-TAILED BABOON!
WE SAW YOU SIGNALLING SOMEONE! WHO WAS IT? IF YOU DO NOT TELL, WE WILL TAKE YOU TO OUR SUPERIORS, WHO HAVE WAYS OF GETTING THE INFORMATION THEY DESIRE!
I KNOW NOTHING!
I'D BETTER GET BACK ON THE DOUBLE AND GIVE THE SARGE THIS DOPE!
STRINGERMAN HURRIED BACK TO JORGENS AND CLAMM AS FAST AS HE COULD CRAWL...
...AN' THAT'S IT, SARGE! THE REDS'VE GOT THEIR PAWS ON OUR CONTACT AN' THEY'RE GONNA TAKE HIM TO HEAD-QUARTERS WHICH IS IN THE VILLAGE TOWN HALL!
CRIPES, I'D LIKE TO SLAM INTO THE JOINT AN' SAVE THE GUY...BUT...
BUT WHAT, SARGE? HE TOOK A CHANCE FOR US... WE CAN TAKE ONE FOR HIM!
LISTEN, CLAMM, I'D LIKE TO SAVE HIM AS MUCH AS YOU WOULD...BUT WE'RE HERE TO GET A MAP...AN' THAT'S MUCH MORE IMPORTANT! ONCE THEY GET OUT OF THERE...WITH OR WITHOUT SING LIM...WE CAN TURN HIS COTTAGE UPSIDE DOWN UNTIL WE FIND IT!
SO THE TRIO SAT AND SEETHED AND WAITED... FEELING MORE HELPLESS THAN THEY'D EVER FELT...UNTIL...
OKAY, GUYS...THEY'RE PULLING OUT! HERE'S WHERE WE MOVE IN!

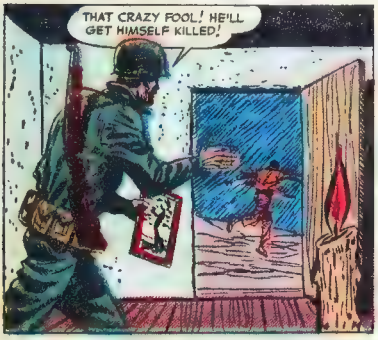

THEY RANSACKED THE COTTAGE ... BUT IT WAS USELESS...
LET'S FACE IT, SARGE! THERE'S NO MAP IN HERE!
IF IT IS... IT'S HIDDEN TOO WELL FOR US TO FIND IT!
WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO?
WHAT YOU GUYS WANTED TO DO IN THE FIRST PLACE! THE ONLY ONE WHO KNOWS WHERE THE MAP IS, IS SING LIM, SO... LET'S GET GOIN'! WE'VE GOT TO RESCUE HIM! IT'S OUR ONLY CHANCE!
THEY WENT INTO THE VILLAGE AND HEADED FOR THE TOWN HALL...
ANOTHER GUARD! BUT THIS TIME, WE'RE NOT SNEAKIN' BY! THIS BABY'S GONNA BE ON ME!
WE'LL COVER YOU, SARGE!
SERGEANT JORGENS CREPT FORWARD TOWARDS THE UNSUSPECTING GUARD, HOLDING DEATH READY IN HIS HAND...
THE SARGE DID IT. ALL RIGHT. . WANTS US TO COME OVER THERE WITH HIM!
THIS'LL BE THE SECOND WINDOW I'VE LOOKED INTO TONIGHT! I'M GETTIN' TO FEEL LIKE A PEEPING TOM!
OKAY... INTERPRETER... WHAT ARE THEY SAYIN'
THEY'RE HOLDIN' SING LIM IN THE BACK ROOM... BUT I DON'T SEE WHAT WE CAN DO ABOUT IT WITH THAT MOB OF COMMIES PLAYIN' WATCHDOG ON HIM!

I GOT AN IDEA! WE'LL HAVE TO DRAG THOSE CHINESE OUT OF THE BIG ROOM BEFORE WE CAN GET TO SING LIM, AND THIS DEAD GUARD'S THE GUY THAT'LL HELP US!
SOUNDS BATTY TO ME!
JORGENS TOLD STRINGERMAN TO CLIMB INTO THE DEAD RED'S UNIFORM AND...
OKAY..SO NOW I'M A G.I. IN COMMIE CLOTHING! WHAT NOW?
START SHOOTIN', AN' YELLIN' IN CHINESE THAT THE PRISONER ESCAPED OUT THE BACK WAY! CLAMM AN' I'LL DO THE REST!
AFTER TELLING STRINGERMAN THAT THEY'D MEET BACK AT THE RUBBER BOAT, JORGENS AND CLAMM CROUCHED LOW BESIDE THE ENTRANCE TO THE BUILDING...
HE'LL START IN A SECOND! WHEN THEY RUSH OUT...WE RUSH IN!
SOUNDS SIMPLE ENOUGH TO WORK!
PRISONER ESCAPE! PRISONER ESCAPE!
BANG! BANG! BANG!
THE CHINESE FELL FOR THE GAG AND FOLLOWED STRINGERMAN...
HURRY! THIS WAY!
AND AS THE CHINESE WERE DRAWN AWAY BY STRINGERMAN'S SHOUTS...
OKAY! LET'S GO! HERE'S WHERE WE COME IN!
THERE WAS ONE LEFT!
I GOT HIM, CLAMM! YOU GET TO THE BACK ROOM AND GRAB SING LIM!
BANG!
WH-WHAT...
DON'T ASK ANY QUESTIONS! JUST FOLLOW ME!

THE MAP IS IN MY COTTAGE!
YOU GO BACK WITH HIM AN' GET IT, CLAMM! I'LL HEAD FOR THE RUBBER BOAT TO MEET STRINGERMAN... IN CASE HE NEEDS HELP!

THE TWO MEN RAN BACK TO THE COTTAGE AND...
NOW, I SHOW...
HOLD IT, MR. LIM! I THINK I HEAR A PATROL CAR COMIN'! THE REDS MUST BE PULLIN' UP OUTSIDE!

SING LIM THRUST THE PICTURE INTO PRIVATE CLAMM'S HANDS AND THEN, BEFORE CLAMM COULD PROTEST, THE NORTH KOREAN DASHED OUT THE FRONT DOOR...

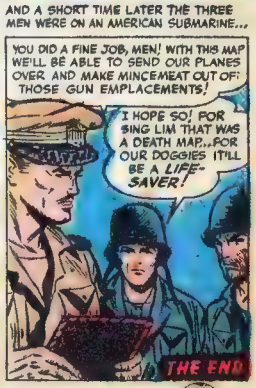


BUT THE MANEUVER WAS A SUCCESSFUL ONE! SING LIM'S HEROIC GESTURE GAVE PRIVATE CLAMM A CHANCE TO ESCAPE WITH THE MAP...

A SHORT WHILE LATER...

TOO BAD WE WENT TO ALL THAT TROUBLE, AND ENDED UP WITH ONLY A PICTURE!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN...ONLY A PICTURE! THIS IS WHAT WE WERE AFTER! THE MAP'S ON THE BACK OF IT!

AND A SHORT TIME LATER THE THREE MEN WERE ON AN AMERICAN SUBMARINE...


YOU DID A FINE JOB, MEN! WITH THIS MAP WE'LL BE ABLE TO SEND OUR PLANES OVER AND MAKE MINCEMEAT OUT OF THOSE GUN EMPLACEMENTS!
I HOPE SO! FOR SING LIM THAT WAS A DEATH MAP...FOR OUR DOGGIES IT'LL BE A LIFE-SAVER!
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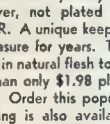

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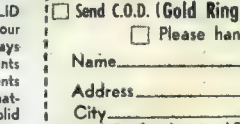

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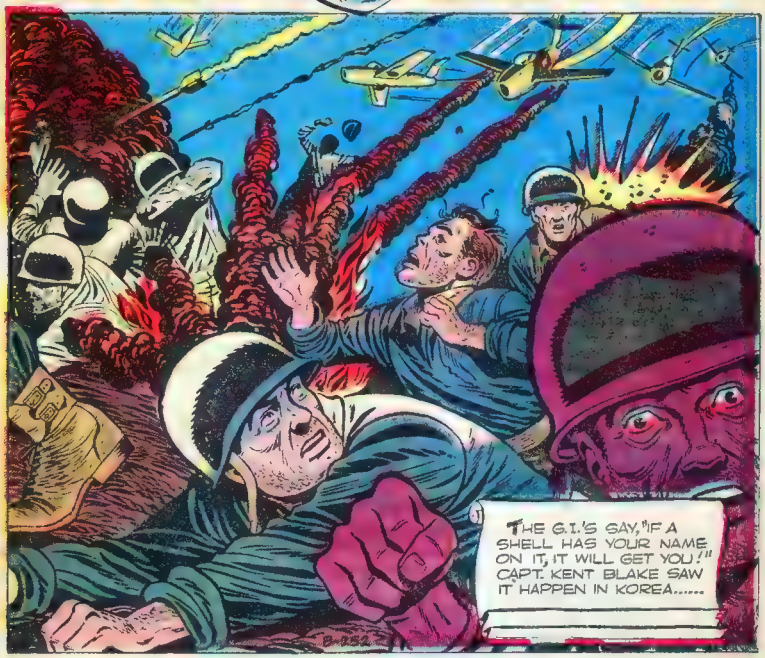

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IS THIS TO BE A ONE MAN JOB?
NO, YOU MAY PICK TWO MEN TO GO WITH YOU!
I WANT SERGEANT HENRI DUVAL AND LIEUT CARLOS AMENDA! THOSE ARE THE TWO BEST MEN FOR A JOB OF THIS KIND!
I'VE NEVER HEARD OF THE SERGEANT BUT THE LIEUTENANTS NAME IS FAMILIAR! WHO IS HE?
ONE OF THE MOST VALUABLE MEN IN G-2! HE'S FROM A RICH SOUTH AMERICAN FAMILY! CARLOS CAME TO AMERICA TO STUDY AND WHEN THE WAR BROKE OUT HE APPLIED FOR CITIZENSHIP AND THEN JOINED THE ARMY!
SEEMS TO ME I'VE SEEN THE NAME SOME PLACE ELSE BEFORE...BUT NO MATTER...IF HE'S AS GOOD AS YOU SAY ...THEN HE'S THE MAN FOR THE JOB!
THANK YOU, SIR! NOW IF YOU'LL EXCUSE ME, I'LL BRIEF MY MEN AND WE'LL GET STARTED!
TWO HOURS LATER, BLAKE AND HIS TWO MEN WERE CLOSE TO RED-HELD TERRITORY...!
DIABLOS FURIOSO! THAT SHELL WAS SO CLOSE IT SINGED MY BEARD!
DON'T LET IT WORRY YOU, LIEUTENANT... IT'S THE ONE THAT'S GOT YOUR NAME ON IT THAT WILL GET YOU!
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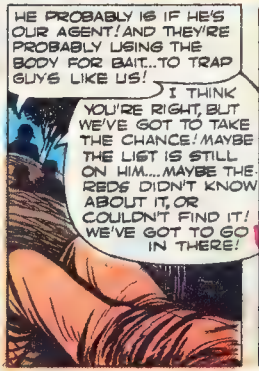
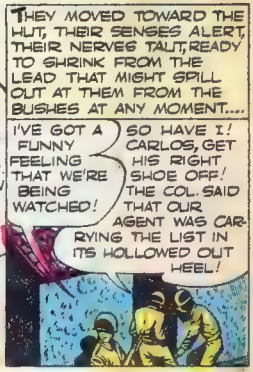
WATCH IT...RED PATROL!

WE'RE IN RED TERRITORY NOW, GO WATCH IT....AND KEEP YOUR HEADS DOWN, OR, AS HENRI SAYS, ANY ONE OF THOSE SHELLS MIGHT HAVE YOUR NAME ON IT!
HOW FAR TO THIS HUT?


HE PROBABLY IS IF HE'S OUR AGENT! AND THEY'RE PROBABLY USING THE BODY FOR BAIT...TO TRAP GUYS LIKE US!
I THINK YOU'RE RIGHT, BUT WE'VE GOT TO TAKE THE CHANCE! MAYBE THE LIST IS STILL ON HIM....MAYBE THE REDS DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT IT, OR COULDN'T FIND IT! WE'VE GOT TO GO IN THERE!


THEY MOVED TOWARD THE HUT, THEIR SENSES ALERT, THEIR NERVES TAUT, READY TO SHRINK FROM THE LEAD THAT MIGHT SPILL OUT AT THEM FROM THE BUSHES AT ANY MOMENT....
I'VE GOT A FUNNY FEELING THAT WE'RE BEING WATCHED!
SO HAVE I! CARLOS, GET HIS RIGHT SHOE OFF! THE COL. SAID THAT OUR AGENT WAS CARRYING THE LIST IN ITS HOLLOWED OUT HEEL!

THEY'RE GOING TO HEAVE GRENADES! THAT'S ALL, BROTHER ....LOOKS LIKE THAT LIST AIN'T GOING TO GET BACK TO H.Q.!
A TRAP DOOR IN THE FLOOR! MUST LEAD TO A ROOT CELLAR! C'MON..!

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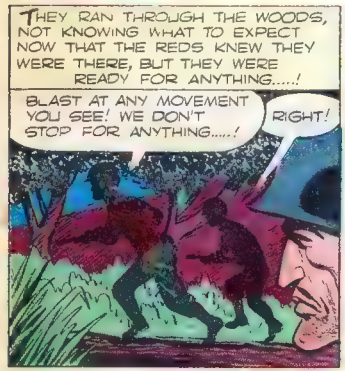
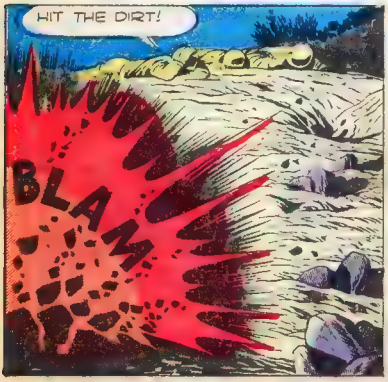
BOY, THEY SURE ARE CLOBBERIN' UPSTAIRS! THERE WON'T EVEN BE A LOUSE ALIVE WHEN THEY'RE THROUGH! BY THE WAY, WHAT'LL WE DO WHEN THEY MOVE IN?
THEY'LL THINK WE'RE BLOWN TO PIECES... THEY'LL BE CARELESS, COMING IN! THAT'S WHEN WE GO OUT... THROUGH THEM ...I HOPE!
THEY'VE STOPPED BLASTERING THE HUT!
LET'S GO! GET YOUR GUNS READY!
GET ON EACH SIDE OF THE DOOR! REMEMBER, HIT HARD AND RUN.... OUR JOB IS TO GET THIS LIST BACK TO H.Q.!
NOW!

OKAY....LET'S HIT FOR THE WOODS!

MADE IT! EVERY-BODY ALL RIGHT?
O.K. HERB!
ME, TOO!


THEY RAN THROUGH THE WOODS, NOT KNOWING WHAT TO EXPECT NOW THAT THE REDS KNEW THEY WERE THERE, BUT THEY WERE READY FOR ANYTHING.....!
BLAST AT ANY MOVEMENT YOU SEE! WE DON'T STOP FOR ANYTHING.....!
RIGHT!

LISTEN...!
BIG STUFF.... AN EXPRESS COMING OVER.....


HIT THE DIRT!
BLAM

THEN THEY WERE UP AND RUNNING! THEY KNEW WHAT TO EXPECT NOW ---THE REDS WERE GOING TO LAY DOWN A BARRAGE OF SHELLS.....!

UNLESS THEY WALK THOSE THINGS UP I THINK WE'VE MOVED OUT OF THAT BELT!
BOY, WE'RE LUCKY!
I TOLD YOU IT HAD TO HAVE YOUR NAME ON IT!
A MIG ROCKET!
NO COVER! HIT THE DIRT AND DON'T MOVE.....!
THE MIG ZOOMED DOWN AND SPIT ITS ROCKET SHELLS AT THEM.....
RUN FOR THE WOODS BEFORE HE CIRCLES BACK!
CAPTAIN, THEY GOT CARLOS WITH A ROCKET SHELL....!
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YES, SIR! CARLOS TOLD ME THAT WAS THE REASON HE NEVER WENT BACK HOME! THE SHELL THAT KILLED HIM COULD WELL HAVE HAD HIS FAMILY NAME ON IT!
IT'S LIKE I SAID...IT'S THE SHELL WITH YOUR NAME ON IT THAT'LL GET YA!
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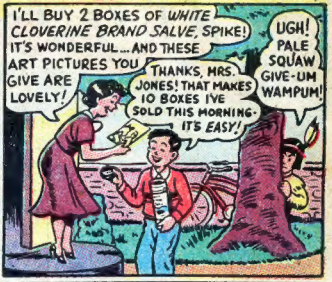
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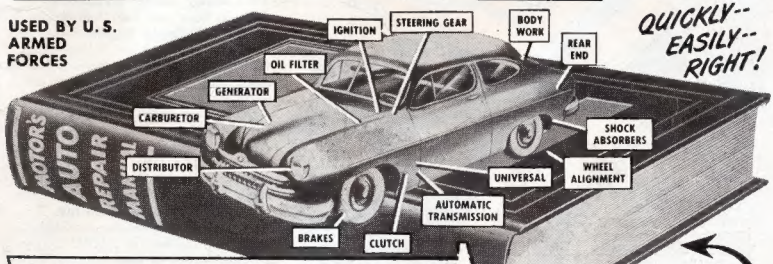

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